

OSAP complaint petition a surprise, says college's registrar

By Brad Hilderley

The Ontario student assistance program (OSAP) office of Conestoga College has received more positive than negative responses from students over the way the office handles OSAP applications, says the college's registrar.

"I've been involved in OSAP for 12 to 15 years and we have had within that time frame — and certainly within the last few years where the current staff have been working — more positive feedback

than negative feedback," said Betty Martin during an interview.

She was responding to an Oct. 25 Spoke story in which complaints about the college's OSAP office were expressed by a student. The story dealt with second-year early childhood education student Rhonda Woodworth, who is circulating a petition about what she called "second-rate" treatment students receive by the office.

"The story was somewhat of a surprise to me because the focus was totally foreign to me," Martin

said.

"We have always felt that we were doing what we could to help the students."

She said the college's employees are concerned about the financial needs of students and are aware that financial concerns play an important role in student success.

Delays in processing applications occurred this year partly because of changes within the OSAP system, which is administered by the Ontario Ministry of Education, said Martin. OSAP changed to a loan-

only program from a grant and loan program, she said.

And changes were also made to the error messages sent by the ministry to Conestoga when problems occur in the processing of an application, said Martin.

Having to deal with these changes meant that employees were not always able to tell students how long the process would take, she said.

"Our understanding was that when those error messages came down, the ministry was acting on them and that it was going to con-

tact the students," Martin said. But the ministry failed to do so, she said.

"We were working under some assumptions that we later had to act on."

Martin said that prior to reading the Spoke story, she was not aware of the petition being circulated by the early childhood education student.

She said she did not want to directly discuss the petition being circulated and added she would rather discuss the college's role in the OSAP process.

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Conestoga in growth cycle

By Omar Welke

Stable growth and well-planned expansion of programs over the coming fiscal cycles will put the college in a competitive position, said Conestoga's president.

Speaking Oct. 21 to about 70 Doon campus support staff and faculty, at the second of five planned president's forums, John Tibbits said the college is in a cycle of growth above the system average.

"Unless the roof caves in, the college has a stable base to build upon," the president said.

According to figures presented by Kevin Mullan, the college's vice-president of finance and administrative services, Conestoga is running an operating fund balance of \$1,973,621, or 4.86 per cent of the annual operating revenue.

This is slightly above the 3.22 per cent in the college system, he said.

The projected budget deficit of \$1,288,685 for the 1993/94 year doesn't tell the whole story, Mullan said.

Included in that deficit projection are a number of non-recurring costs which are skewing the actual figures of ongoing operations.

Severance costs, early retirement incentives and other one-time costs, totaling \$1,928,971, are the reason for the deficit projection, Mullan said.

Without these costs, the college could be looking ahead to a \$640,286 break even position on ongoing operations for the 1994/95 fiscal year, Mullan said.

"We are going to be demanding of every program to continue to look at its performance indicators, and operate more cost effectively," Tibbits said.

The aim will be to develop a long-term program development plan.

Growth should be achieved through closer ties with industry and the involvement of advisory committees, Tibbits said.

"We are here as a college to serve the community. We can't do that if we just do the same things over and over."

Tibbits said the college must grow in a stable environment. Conestoga's goal is to expand through planned changes, not the way some other colleges are.

"They use the Japanese fishing technique. They throw out the nets and haul them in, and that's fine."

Tibbits suggested programs currently in operation will be re-examined, and focused or re-organized if needed.

Co-operative work with the schools and industry, to come up with program plans that are compatible with the community, are also needed, he said.

"Our intention, over the next four or five years, will be to put in about four or five new programs every year."

This may mean taking a program like social services, that has a lot of applications, and finding out whether there are other programs, such as correctional worker, that could be implemented.

Tibbits also said the college would like to improve its situation as far as resources are concerned, despite reduced funding from the provincial government.

Better computer labs, software, and other equipment need to be introduced, the president said.

"The truth of the matter is, we receive a pittance from the provincial government."

The commitment we would make is to upgrade equipment in the college."

Waterloo campus safe despite college's uncertain fiscal future

By Sean Meyer

Saying the Waterloo campus fits into Conestoga College's future plans, college president John Tibbits spoke at the first in a series of president forums Oct. 19.

The five forums, scheduled at each college campus, outline the college's fiscal situation to teachers and support staff.

"This campus (Waterloo) certainly has a future," said Tibbits. "One of the reasons is that we have a day-care centre here and a 10-year agreement to keep it. So for the next eight years or so, it's quite solid."

The campus has many advantages that stem from its location, Tibbits said.

Among them its availability to transportation and placement in a growing population area (the north

end of Waterloo).

"Quite frankly, this campus fits into the long-term plans of the college," Tibbits said.

Another strong point for Waterloo campus, Tibbits indicated, is the agreement with nearby ManuLife.

The agreement, originally signed for a 10-year period, will ensure the use of the day-care centre, he said.

"Obviously, if someone came along at some point and offered us the right money, we would have to look at things, but that's not going to happen now."

The future of Conestoga College in general is also good, Tibbits said.

"The truth is we don't know what is going to happen in the future. We have to be more cost effective. We can't sit back and assume that everything is going to be wonderful."

In addition to the status of the

Waterloo campus, the forum focused on the college's current fiscal situation, cutbacks, downsizing and the college's future.

Other college officers present were Kevin Mullan, vice-president of finance and administrative services and John MacKenzie, vice-president of student development and human resources.

"People should be very happy with what's been accomplished," Mullan said.

The college, which was surprised to discover it had a budget surplus of \$43,247 during the 1992/93 fiscal year, managed to reduce its spending through financial restraint, cutbacks and downsizing, Mullan said.

"The fact we managed to grasp more revenue than expected expenditure is something to be proud of," he said.



Barb Glaser displays postcards from her European trip.

(Photo by Sean Meyer)

European hiking trip an exciting adventure

By Sean Meyer

There is an old saying that goes something like: "Be careful. What you wish for, you just might get!"

The adage proved true for Barb Glaser. But she is happy it did.

Glaser, secretary to the chair of child studies at Conestoga College, inadvertently created an opportunity for herself, while listening to her daughter Kathy talk about a planned trip through France, Switzerland and Germany.

"I jokingly said, 'Gee, Kathy, if I had the money I'd go with you.' So, a couple weeks later when she asked if I was serious, I said sure, why not?"

Glaser, 52, had decided to join in for part of her daughter's five-week journey, but one surprise

was still waiting for her.

"I didn't find out we would be hiking until later," Glaser said. "It was a surprise, but I should have known better. Kathy was looking through this book of backpacks and I asked her if this meant we were backpacking."

Her daughter's answer was simple. "Well how did you think we would get across Europe? With a suitcase?"

Once she realized what she had gotten herself into, Glaser decided it was an interesting idea.

"My only concern was if I could do it physically. It wasn't a big concern though. I had a couple of months to get into shape. I started walking around the block with the backpack, doing all the necessary things."

On Sept. 24, Glaser flew to

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United Nations must end Third World interventions

The United Nations ongoing involvement in Somalia and recent aborted mission in Haiti are glaring examples of the fundamental travesty of interventionism.



By Jeff Brinkhof

In Somalia, a mission that began as a humanitarian crusade to distribute food to a starving populace has disintegrated into a bloody war to capture Somali warlord Mohamed Farrah Aidid. The former diplomat, politician and guerrilla fighter has fended off and eluded some of the world's best-equipped soldiers with an underequipped band of gunmen who have to scramble to get ammunition.

On the docks of Port-au-Prince, Haiti, a score of machete-wielding militants were able to prevent a shipload of Canadian and American troops from landing.

The soldiers were part of a UN-sponsored transitional force that was to supervise exiled President Jean Bertrand Aristide's return to power.

What these embarrassments have shown is that a military force cannot be effective if it lacks commitment to the cause it's representing.

To many Haitians and Somalis, UN involvement in their countries is an affront to their sovereignty. But what does a Canadian soldier patrolling Mogadishu or an Argentine sailor waiting off the coast of Haiti care of local politics?

Their concern certainly doesn't compare to the conviction of Somali gunmen or Haitian soldiers who are fighting for their beliefs and country. We need only to look at the example of Vietnam to see what can happen when a committed native force fights an indifferent foreign one.

This raises another question. Who appointed the UN the world's moral authority?

It is nothing more than the conceit of the industrialized, liberal democracies that dominate the UN to assume the rest of the world wants to live like we do.

The simple fact is many don't. Cultural bias, which seems inseparable from human nature, dictates that our way is best, but this is a dangerous line of thinking.

In much the same way that cultures should be allowed to develop and maintain their own unique identities, nations should be allowed to formulate and conduct government in any manner they see fit.

We may not agree with the methods or dictums of a given government, but we don't have to. All we can do is offer a choice, a good path in the maze of political ideologies.

However, that choice must be made by individual nations alone.

The UN should stick to settling international disputes and stay out of the internal affairs of countries.

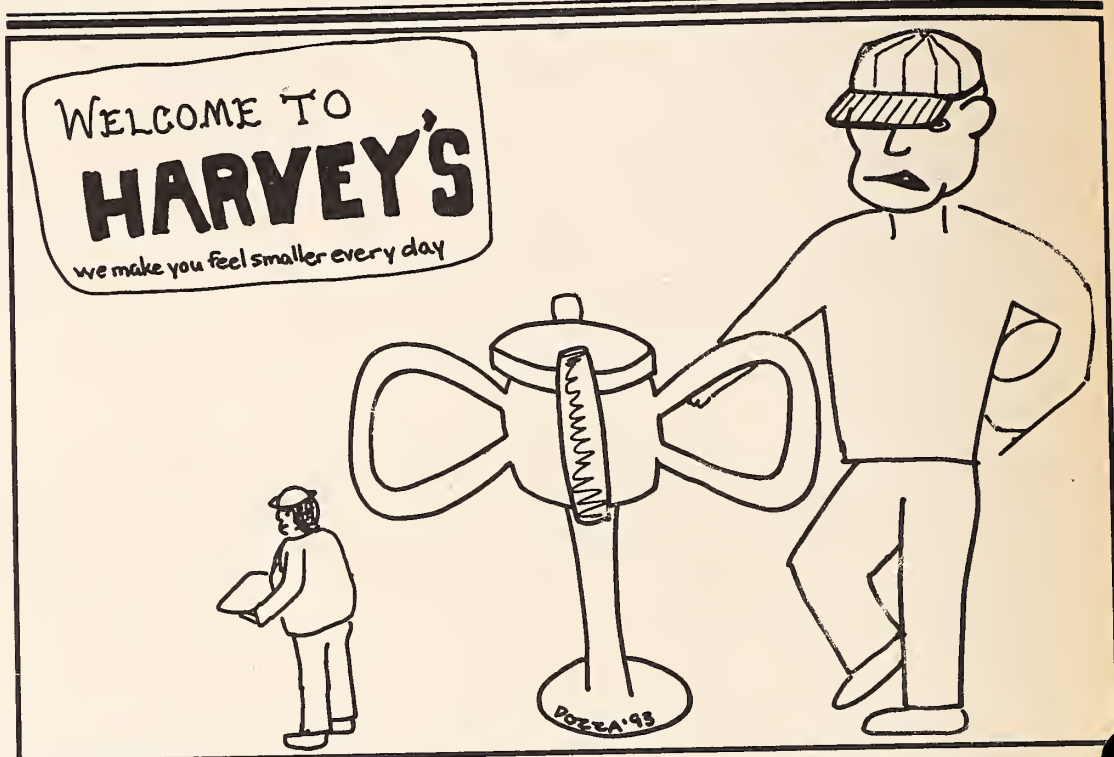
Immediately withdrawing from Haiti and Somalia would be a step in the right direction. Let the world unfold as it sees fit, not as the West sees fit.

Letters to the editor

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OPINION



When will there be justice for all?

I'm sure there are some Canadians who feel that our justice system is good, fair and beyond reproach, but the fact is our justice system is problem-ridden and people are dying because of it.

There is an alarming increase in the number of crimes committed by violent offenders who are out on early parole.

And there are offenders, who are released only to repeat their heinous crimes against society and be jailed, at taxpayers expense, again.

Not only do these criminals put a strain on an already overloaded judicial system, but they are adept at fooling psychiatrists, counsellors and parole boards by obtaining day passes and early releases.

As well, there seem to be a large number of convicted child molesters who have been labelled reformed by the parole boards and released, only to return to abduct-



By Hilary Ibbotson

ing, raping or killing in a matter of days.

The Canadian scales of justice seem to lean in favor of the criminal, not the law abiding citizen.

And how can it be that a convicted killer can receive only two years on a manslaughter charge, while the murder victim's family is left with a life sentence of loss and pain?

A man or woman kills and is housed, fed, paid and educated by Canadian taxpayers, while the victim's family is left with photographs, memories and the guest register from the funeral home.

Is this fair? Is this justice?

It would seem that in Canada it is

fair and just, because many people are too concerned with the rights of criminals to see into the eyes of victims and the rights of survivors.

A major overhaul of our judicial and parole systems is needed to immediately correct the problems, or else the system will continue to disintegrate and be abused.

And innocent people will continue to pay, with their lives, for the errors of the judicial system.

The should be no questioning the ethics of denying parole to repeat and violent offenders. Some people can not be educated, reformed or cured.

The only question that should be raised is — How many innocent Canadians have to be murdered or maimed by violent and repeat offenders on early parole, before parole boards, judges and governments reassess the situation?

Don't fault registrar for OSAP delays

Those who work within the various levels of government bureaucracy are generally perceived to be overpaid and underworked. This may be true in some cases, but those who toil in the financial aid office at Conestoga College do NOT fit that picture.

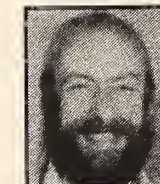
Unfortunately, some students do not see it that way.

Of the approximately 2,300 students who, up until now, have applied for financial assistance through the Ontario student assistance program (OSAP), 350, or 15 per cent, are experiencing delays.

There seems to be two ways to handle the situation: one is to grin and bear it, as most do.

The other is to snap and snarl at those believed to be responsible. Granted, this is a tiny minority, but it does no one any good and certainly doesn't speed up the arrival of that much-needed financial assistance.

The entire OSAP process, from the time an application form is completed and sent in, to the time loans are in students' hands, is normally six to eight weeks. Many delays are the result of application forms being filled out improperly.



By Gary Wiebe

The reasons for this include unverified financial information, a wrong or missing student identification number, and failure to inform of changed circumstances. Correcting these things takes time and co-operation on both sides. Patience and understanding.

There is also the NDP government's social contract. Enrollment is up and there's an increase in OSAP applications, which means more work.

At the same time, the number of people available to do the work, at both the college and the ministry, and the number of hours needed to do it has been decreased through legislation. As a result, the whole process takes longer.

The morale of students affected and those assigned to ministering to students' needs also plunges. The difference is, public servants are not allowed to translate that drop in morale into anything but a smile toward students who are not so kind

in return.

Is there an answer to the problem of delayed funding?

Several solutions spring to mind. The government at Queen's Park can forget the social contract restrictions and allow public servants to do their jobs, or students can fill out their forms with the right information and proper verification.

Both are unworkable.

The government is not going to reverse its stand on cutbacks in hours and wages — it is trying to trim a monstrous deficit, and students are human like everyone else and will continue to make errors.

Public servants serve the people, and those working in financial aid at Conestoga College bend over backwards to help those in need. Some of them put in extra hours in an effort to keep things running as smoothly as possible for the benefit of desperate students.

But those same students with snap and snarl must also realize and appreciate the fact that filling out applications is serious business.

Checking and double checking the questions and answers on them to ensure it is done properly will go a long way in decreasing the possibility of delay.

Letters to the Editor

Full-time student pub may not be the answer

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to Jason Schneider's article "Pub and students would make good mix," which appeared in the Oct. 4 issue of Spoke.

The primary mandate of post-secondary institutions is to provide education to students.

While all would agree that campus life is an important part of that education, serious consideration should be given to the introduction of a full-time pub atmosphere.

Having worked within one of Canada's largest universities, I am acutely aware of the impact of alcohol service on campus, including increases in incidents of injury, aggression, assault, sexual harass-

ment, sexual assault, violence and liability for these incidences.

The increase in aggressive and violent conduct linked with alcohol consumption is widely documented and has influenced a trend in U.S. colleges to begin moving away from campus pubs.

Increases in incidents of drinking and driving, and the liability associated, must also be considered seriously.

I would support any initiative that promotes a positive campus life experience, however, increased alcohol consumption on campus does not meet that criteria.

Unfortunately, the contention that everyone acts maturely and responsibly in such an environment is not widely endorsed.

People's inhibitions are reduced proportionately to the amount of alcohol consumed, and the courts in Canada are increasingly holding the educational institutions and the sponsoring organizations liable for the resulting consequences.

Needing "a place all our own" or a place "catering to the most basic of human needs — having fun" does not necessarily mean serving alcohol.

The significant implications of having a full-time pub on campus must be examined carefully in light of all the evidence available today before any decision is made.

Jim Drennen

Chair of the school of business

Journalism student thanks anonymous "friend"

To the Editor:

Two weeks ago, I wrote a letter and directed it to the person who stole my purse.

My only intention was to let that person know how this theft affected me and to act as the guilty conscience that person obviously lacks.

Someone else read my letter and somehow an envelope containing an anonymous letter and a more than generous amount of money found its way to one of my teachers.

I do not recognize the handwriting, and do not know if I know the person responsible or not. I do believe that he was not involved in the theft.

Although I respect this person's wish to remain unknown, I wish I knew who generously helped me so I could thank him personally.

He has restored the faith that was taken along with my purse.

I do consider him "a friend."

Tracy Lennon

Journalism — year two

European hiking trip

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Paris to meet her daughter and start her journey. The first three days were spent seeing the sights of Paris.

From France, Glaser, her 20 kilogram pack and her daughter took the train into Switzerland, where

the real hiking began.

Over the next five days, the two walked between seven and eight hours a day, through Switzerland and into Germany.

After seeing some sights in southern Germany, Glaser took the train into Frankfurt and then

flew home, leaving her daughter to continue her adventure.

"It's a wonderful way to travel, especially for kids just out of college or university. I can see why so many people, not just young people, but people my age, are doing it."

Counsellor's Corner



By Pat Trudeau

Good grief? There is no such thing. It is all grief. In a college this size we share a large collective grief, most of us have lost someone to death. Yet, we seem not to be able to acknowledge and console one another. The pain is private and hidden from view.

Last spring, I attended a seminar called "The Politics of Grief." Each of the forty-five participants called out the name of someone she had lost. Each face searched the other faces for solace. Each of us were not alone.

During the summer I noticed a student in tears as she worked at the computer and I invited her for a walk. As we walked among blooming flowers, she told me of the recent and sudden death of her fiancé. I had not known. The three days she had taken off were not enough to signal a problem. Inside she felt desolate and wondered if life would ever feel worthwhile again.

Another counsellor, Lorraine Garner-Williams, taught me a lot about the importance of honoring grief. She has said good

bye to many people, "too many" she says. When she grieves, she allows herself time and space. By card, by phone or in person she allows others to know what she is feeling. Moreover, she adamantly defends the rights of others to grieve in their own way and time.

Each of us will be different in how we respond to loss but it is important that we grieve. During the first stage of grieving, according to Dr. Glen Davidson, feelings may include: disbelief, denial, anger, guilt, loss of appetite and sleep, muscle weakness, poor and emotional outbursts. Shock and numbness are normal. So too is the despair, crying, restlessness and self-doubt of the next stage called Searching and Yearning.

Somewhere between four to seven months, disorientation sets in and grieving may feel like a disease without end. It may take two years before re-organization occurs and the person begins to feel a renewed sense of hope and/or release.

It takes time, particularly when the event has been unexpected. Allow yourself to reach out when you feel ready and know that counsellors in Student Services are people to whom you can talk about loss. There is also a wonderful community outreach program called "People Needing People." For more information, contact Marilyn Hollinger at Edward R. Good Funeral Home, 745-8445 or come to Student Services for a pamphlet.

Pat Trudeau is a counsellor with Student Services.

You Tell Us

Who is your favorite talk show host?



Oprah Winfrey. She knows how to get to the heart of the subject.

Tara Marshall
General arts and science
First year

David Letterman. He's a unique, hilarious, well-groomed, sophisticated cut-up artist and he throws a good pencil.

Jeff Walter
Marketing
Third year



Jay Leno. Dave (Letterman) is an idiot but Jay's a down-to-earth kind of guy.

Susan Sutcliffe
General arts and science
First year



Oprah. She talks about issues that are meaningful to all women.

Nicola Jones
Broadcasting
First year



Montel Williams. He has the best topics.

Lianne Marquis
General arts and science
First year



Oprah. I like her style. She's more personable than others hosts.

Tamara Craven
Accounting
Second year



Montel Williams. He tackles important issues and he's not as bad as Geraldo.

Steve Geerts
Broadcasting
First year



Phil Donahue. He's classy.

Stacey Carroll
General arts and science
First year



By Jason Schneider

College's harassment policy receives positive response

By Colleen Connachan

Implementing a new college policy is a task in itself, according to human resources officer Debra Croft, and keeping the policy from collecting dust is just as important.

Since Conestoga's new discrimination and harassment policy was introduced in September, there has been a lot of positive feedback. Without feedback, there is no way of seeing if the policy is workable for students, staff and faculty, Croft said.

"Most employees took it seriously, and wanted to understand themselves what constitutes harassment. They were happy to see there was a set of procedures," Croft said.

Joan Magazine, a student services counsellor at Doon, said she is pleased to see the policy down on paper. It is good to see the seriousness of sexual harassment issues recognized, Magazine said.

The policy not only covers harassment, but also covers discrimination on both basis of employment equity and equity within the learning environment, she added.

Croft said one way the policy will benefit the college is by comparing each and clarifying all levels of discrimination and harassment as unacceptable. Although there is more legal aspects to assault and rape, behavior such as remarks emphasizing sex or sexual orientation and leering are still considered part of the spectrum of uncondoned behavior.

The examples of sexual orientation and leering are part of the policy which considers both as discrimination and harassment. These examples were generated into the policy from counsellors who have dealt with situations of discrimination and harassment.

Croft said the policy is there to educate people on what does and does not constitute discrimination

and harassment. However, each individual situation varies, in terms of the intent of the action. The policy is a guide designed to eliminate discrimination and harassment, she added.

Croft said people need to take responsibility for being assertive in a situation of unwanted behavior, and added that the policy would help people re-evaluate their actions.

Magazine said she is pleased, but wants to see a deeper side to it. "This brochure only touches on the issues."

The cover of the brochure, which reads employment equity, may mislead some students that the policy is only for staff, she said.

"It would be much harder for a student to come forward than a staff person because of the power issue and their place in this institution. The policy needs a stronger section that says stu-

dents. I would like to see it mention that counsellors are available." For some, student services is a more accessible place for people to come for help, Magazine said.

Since the policy was implemented, only one complaint has been filed. The case went through the policy's procedure for a complaint of discrimination or harassment. This is the first step of an informal complaint where the issue is out in the open for the victim and the accused.

After not being resolved at that stage, the case entered the formal complaint which advises the right authority of the situation. Reaching the last stage, investigation, a panel of three individuals was appointed for the first hearing.

Croft said the panel included herself, a counsellor and a faculty member. Although, during the first hearing, it was decided that the situation was not a part of discrimination or harassment but more of an interpersonal conflict.



Human resources officer Debra Croft holds copies of the human rights and harassment policies.

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— Debra Croft

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Quality control seminar

Students gain knowledge of communication and culture at annual seminar

By Tim Pozza

People are not grapes.

This statement was part of the message given to 19 third-year Conestoga woodworking manufacturing management students who attended the ninth annual American Society for Quality Control Conference. The event was held at the college's Woodworking Centre of Ontario Oct. 18.

The live satellite broadcast from Washington, D.C., called Empowering People with Technology, focused on the relationship of quality, productivity, communication and culture, according to five students of a six member committee which

One of the cartoons said Americans and Canadians do everything by trial and error. We think of quality as something that just happens.

— Jessica Azzopardi

helped organize the event.

The students, who took on the jobs of providing area business representatives with name tags, answering questions, and assisting with parking and registration, also attended the conference.

"You can't take people (like grapes) off the vine . . .," said student Jessica Azzopardi, relating a segment from the seminar.

"... stamp all over them . . .," said classmate Mark Evers.

"... and improve their quality by aging them," said Azzopardi.

One of the alternatives offered, Azzopardi said, is education. Another is getting people involved.

"It would be like taking something (automation) and plunking it down on the shop floor," Evers said, without being made aware such a change was going to be made.

Evers said the seminar made it clear that communication was the key to making change possible. In the case of automating a plant, employees would have to be told "why

it was coming, and what purpose it would serve . . ."

And it would be this communication by management which would allow the workforce to actually "help implement this into their plan," Azzopardi said.

Another aspect of the conference which struck home with Randy Austin and Shawn Wood was fear. The problem, they said, was taking the fear a person has in just keeping

a job when things change and transforming it to something which creates excellence.

"You have to get people excited about change," Azzopardi said, adding that education is one of the tools to ease the fear of change.

"One of the cartoons said Americans and Canadians do everything by trial and error. We think of quality as something that just happens," Azzopardi said.

One example showed a German child and a North American child using Lego, Wood said. "They gave a German kid a big set of Lego.

He pulled out the instructions and went over them very carefully before trying to use the Lego, but the American kid ripped open the box, looked at the instruction book, and chucked it away."

Each of the students said they

would go to the conference again next year. "It's something you can look forward to trying yourself when you get out there," Wood said.

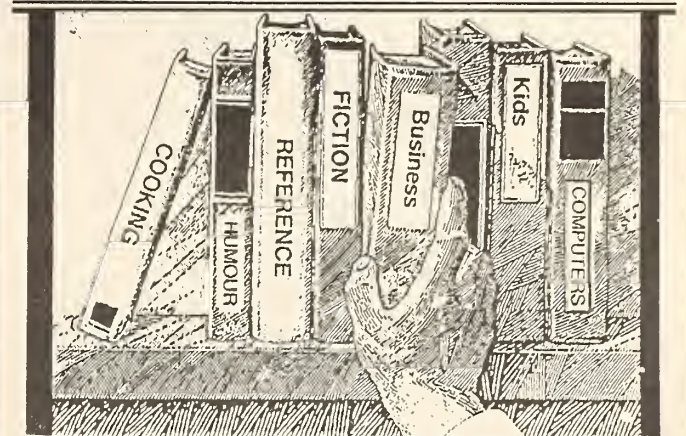
Evers said the seminar showed concrete examples of management trying to implement plans intended to improve quality, and if those plans failed, how they went about making changes differently to succeed in their goal.



Conestoga woodworking students gather at the conference. From left: Shawn Wood, Jessica Azzopardi, Mark O'Keefe, Randy Austin and Mark Evers.

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Becky Hincks, a first-year business student, indulges her artistic flair as she paints a promotional sign in the main cafeteria Oct. 21. The Biz Bash, scheduled for Nov. 4, is the subject of her canvas.

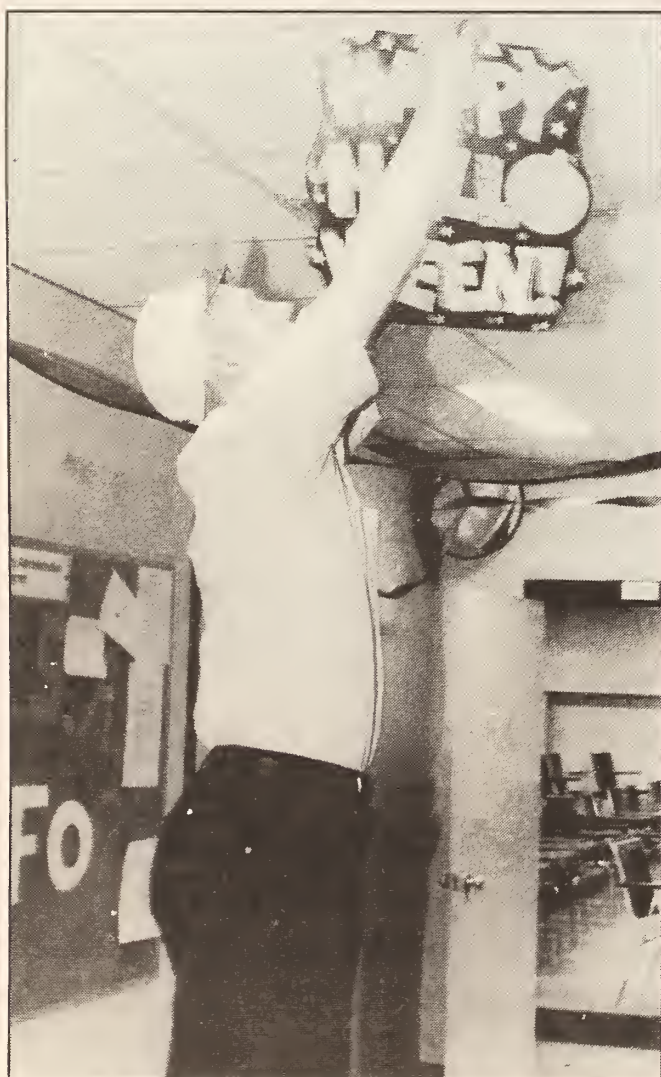
(Photo by Brad Hilderley)



Leaf me alone

Conestoga's Doon campus groundskeeper, Peter Higgins, gets caught in a gust of leaves while blowing sidewalks clear Oct. 25.

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It's a frightening season

Don Bowman, a second-year law and security administration student, demonstrates the Halloween spirit by stringing up decorations on Doon campus's fourth floor.

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Perspective

Religion in the College

Baptist Student Ministries offer Christian alternative

By Robert Gray

The life of a student in a post-secondary institution is not always as easy as it may appear from high school.

Between the stress of homework and the sometimes traumatic lifestyle changes, a student can sometimes feel lost and alone.

That's when people like Rev. Len Thomas, director of Baptist Student Ministries college and university campus clubs in Kitchener-Waterloo, can lend a helping hand.

"Being a campus minister is mainly a matter of presenting a Christian option and encouraging students to look at it. If they need help in following it, we provide help for them. That's really what it's all about."

"If they're looking for something, then we can help them find a solution in Christ because we believe Christ is the answer," Thomas said.

Thomas has been running a campus club at Doon for the last two years. The clubs are sponsored by the Canadian Convention of Southern Baptists.

"We emphasize a personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ. And the connection of a person, even though they may participate in a group on campus, that they ought to have and be involved in a home church. Somewhere they can have a church family."

What often happens is that a student gets involved in a group, and that kind of becomes their church home on campus."

He said that on a campus people tend to be about the same age, be in the same situation and have similar problems to face.

"You get into a church and you've got older people and their needs and younger people, so you've got a wider range. That's why it's important for people to be in a church environment, as well as being involved in any kind of a club on campus, so that they don't drift away."

"We're here to help students have a spiritual perspective on things. To let them ask questions and see what the biblical response is," said Thomas.

"That gives them a spiritual direction in life they can apply academically and elsewhere in their lives," Thomas said. "It gives them a base for their values and beliefs. It at least lets them know what true Christianity is."

"People are free to believe what they want, but it's only fair that they should know what all the options are. Many people are not aware of the Christian alternative, so of course they can't choose it."

The club tries to have a local activity night once a month.

"It gives a focus to have fun around. We like to stress that being Christian and having faith

is kind of a combination of faith and fun, that you don't have to divorce the two."

The club tries to do something regionally

once a month, Thomas said. They have groups in Toronto and Mississauga that they get together with. They have gym nights, guest speakers, debates and discussions.

"One of the great things out of that is people not only get some personal spiritual growth, but they get to make friends at other campuses."

Thomas said that one of the difficulties in running a campus club at a community college is the high rate of student turnover.

"The good thing about that is that in community colleges people tend to be local, and local

people are more helpful in building a ministry that can be longer lasting," he said.

"I find that working with students helps keep

me young. It challenges me and keeps my perspective fresh," said Thomas. "I appreciate community college students, some of them may be a little bit older then, say, at university, and that's good. They bring a little bit more mature perspective to looking at things."

Thomas is also starting a group at the University of Waterloo.

"There's been more of a response here, because most people here are local and there aren't many other groups here. Inter-varsity or things like that. The typical groups that you'd find on larger campuses," he said.

We emphasize a personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

—Rev. Len Thomas

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Acappella performs for about 900 people at the Kenneth E. Hunter Recreation Centre Oct. 14.

(Photo by Brad Hilderley)

Acappella delivers Christian message

By Brad Hilderley

Amid a cloud of dry ice and a barrage of flashing lights, Acappella opened its two-hour vocal concert Oct. 14 at the college's Kenneth E. Hunter Recreation Centre.

About 900 people attended the evening show, which featured a cappella (unaccompanied) music with a Christian message.

"I have a friend, and they call him Jesus," the four-man group sang. "I have a friend, and the angels praise his name."

The group, based in Paris, Tenn., includes lead singer George Pendergrass, Duane Adams, Gary Moyers and Robert Guy. They were joined during several numbers by backup singers Jason Richard and Kenny Lewis.

The singers spoke to the audience between most songs and explained at one point they consider themselves a ministry that travels.

Acappella consists of "musicianaries," one singer joked.

"We believe strongly it is the greatest thing in the world to be a Christian," the crowd was told.

"It's a wonderful thought to know that God is that big, but that personal. If you're looking for true and lasting peace, only one person can lead you to it — my God."

Audience members included teenagers, young adults, senior citizens and families.

Fans clapped in rhythm during many songs and exploded with applause when Acappella referred to the Toronto Blue Jays being in the World Series.

The audience gave a great response to the concert, Adams said during an interview. "Everyone was into it and seemed blessed."

He said the purpose of the concert was to show "it's a good time being a Christian" and to raise awareness of Great Lakes Christian high school in Beamsville, Ont.

"It's been a neat relationship" ever since Acappella became involved with the school, Adams said.

The concert was a "mutual effort" between Acappella and Great Lakes Christian high school, he said, as the school benefits from increased awareness and the group receives honorariums to help keep it on the road.

Modern world challenges Baptist clubs

By Brad Hilderley

A Christian presence on university and college campuses is an important influence for students, says a former director of National Student Ministries of the United States.

"Usually, by the time a person is in university or college they have pretty well figured out what is important in life," said Rev. Milt Hughes. He was speaking Oct. 8 in a seminar at Conestoga's Doon campus. "Most are still trying to figure it out, but when they leave university usually they pretty well have in place whatever their value system is going to be."

And it's a person's value system that determines his or her lifestyle, Hughes told an audience of four.

"We try to think that every campus needs a ministry," said Hughes,

who holds a bachelor of arts degree in speech and theatre from Georgetown College in Kentucky and a master's degree in divinity from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Kentucky.

His seminar, about one hour in length, was presented by Baptist Student Ministries (BSM), which is financially sponsored by Canadian Convention of Southern Baptists.

Hughes said BSM has campus ministries on more than 1,000 American campuses and on about 25 Canadian campuses.

Hughes, who lives in Nashville, Tenn., said there is also an anti-Christian presence in American universities.

"The people that are atheists are just pronouncing their confidence that Christianity is a lie, that this is not true and the Bible is a bunch of myths," he said. "And so our stu-

dents are . . . really bombarded with this pluralism, and they have a confused way of trying to figure out what is going on."

Hughes said the world of the 1990s is different from the one he grew up in during the '30s and '40s. Back then, "people respected Christianity and it was looked up to. It was an assumed thing that the Judaeo-Christian way of life or ethic was the right way to go."

However, he said these assumptions no longer exist due to social and political changes of the 1960s and 1970s and the large influx of immigrants from around the world.

Hughes said he believes Christians can cope with the culture of the 1990s by adopting a "transformer mentality," in which Christians take a biblical perspective to inform others instead of harshly criticizing them.

Health

Flu vaccines now available

Health services advise students to get immunizations to avoid risk

By Kim Huson

Unless you can hold your breath from October to April, you ought to get immunized against influenza, said Conestoga College's nurse.

"The flu virus has symptoms such as fever, aches and pains, coughing and sneezing," said Fischer. She added that it can leave you bedridden for up to two weeks, and exhausted for a month after recovery.

According to a pamphlet published by the Canadian Medical Association, the Lung Association and the Canadian Public Health Association, an estimated 2,000 Canadians die each year from influenza.

"The Ministry of Health provides the vaccine free for people who are considered to be at a high medical risk," said Marilyn Fischer.

A person is considered to be at a high risk if he or she is over 65, or is a resident or staff member at a nursing home or chronic care facility.

People who suffer from heart, lung or kidney disease, asthma, diabetes, chronic anemia, cancer or have had an organ transplant also are at a high risk, she said.

Ten people have already received the vaccine and health services has 20 doses left, said Fischer. "There is a possibility we could get more (vaccine) if we needed it, but it has to be ordered from the regional health unit and it takes a while to get it in."

People who are not considered high risk may purchase the vaccine for \$10. Health services was to buy the vaccine from a pharmacy and begin immunization Oct. 23, said Fischer. "You have to sign up in advance and we have a list of 12 people who want to have the vaccine."

Fischer said she recommends the influenza vaccine for teachers, health-care workers and day-care workers. "This would also include some students who do work placements."

The side effects from the vaccine are relatively mild, she said. "Some people have a sore arm and some may experience chills, headaches and mild nausea. But you will not get influenza from the flu shot."

The same flu does not come every year, said Fischer, adding this year's vaccine is against the Texas, Panama and Beijing strains.

"It has been decided by advisory committees (Canadian national advisory committee on immunization and the immunization practices advisory committee of U.S. public health service) that this is going to be the vaccine this year," she said. "According to all news reports, people are going to become very, very ill from this strain of flu."

Pre-health courses benefit students

By Julie Magee

The new pre-health science courses launched in September at Doon campus are progressing well, said the dean of the school of health sciences.

"This is brand new. The college has had the general arts and sciences, but we have never offered the pre-health courses. The pre-tech comes in January," Bill Jeffrey said.

There are 29 students in the 16-week pre-health science courses. According to Fran Painter, co-ordinator of the college's general arts and science program, students taking the pre-health courses are interested in the health science field and are there for a number of different reasons.

admission in February.

"The students have direct entry, so they don't have to go through the competitive process that the other applicants would be doing out of high school."

Painter said students earn some credits for the health program, which reduces the workload, so they're able to spend more time on their courses.

"Students taking biology or chemistry courses, this will help them understand those areas better once they're in the program."

According to Painter, there are a few mature students who have not been in school for a number of years who are taking the science courses. The mature students are working on their study habits.

Other Ontario colleges have offered the pre-health sciences for years. However, this is the first year Conestoga has come on board.

"Conestoga did not have the program because of financial reasons," Painter said. "We have to add these things slowly, considering financial planning."

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The students have direct entry, so they don't have to go through the competitive process.

— Bill Jeffrey

"Most of the students in the courses are from the waiting list of the health programs," Painter said.

Jeffrey agrees with Painter that the majority of the students did not get into a health care program initially; therefore, they're using pre-health to prepare themselves even more.

Many of the students enrolled in the courses have already chosen which health care field they would like to go into, Painter said.

In the pre-health courses, 14 students are interested in nursing for the February intake, six students are interested in nursing assistant and four or five students are leaning towards the ambulance and emergency care program.

When a student makes a choice of which area of health they're interested in, Painter said, it's a very open-minded type of decision. "The students know what their goals are. And it's one mechanism for them to achieve," Painter said.

Jeffrey, who also teaches the introduction to health care delivery system course, said a student interested in the nursing and nursing assistant program and who maintains a B+ average in the pre-health courses, will have the standards for

November's monster

Depression may strike one in four Canadians

By Jeff Brinkhof

The dark, pendulous clouds of November carry more than the first snows of winter. They carry, for many, the grey pall of depression.

According to the Ontario Ministry of Health, depressive disorders are the most common of mental disorders. About 25 per cent of Canadians need to be treated for depression at some time in their lives.

And college students are not exempt from these numbers.

"November and February tend to be the highest times for depression (among students)," said Carol Gregory, a counsellor at Conestoga's Doon campus. "When there's a shift in climate, that seems to be one factor in depressions."

We have to define what feeling depressed means for the students and what's happening in his or her life.

— Carol Gregory

Aches, pains, tiredness, sleeplessness, loss of interest in sex or food or feeling guilty for no good reason, may be symptoms of an underlying depression, says a health ministry guide entitled Understanding Depression.

Identifying the seriousness of a student's depression and the factors behind it are the counsellors' first

priority, Gregory said.

However, it can be difficult to pinpoint the exact causes of a student's depression.

"It could be a whole bunch of stuff that has been building up for that particular person and all of a sudden they feel flat and they don't know why. It's hard to determine what specifically has happened to the student," she said.

"We have to define what feeling depressed means for the student and what's happening in his or her life. I might have had a bad situation in the parking lot that got me on the wrong track. I might have the flu. I might be ill and just feeling down."

Other factors, such as change, loss or stress, can trigger depression. Moving to a new home, losing a job or giving birth are some common examples. Some prescribed drugs can also change moods.

The counsellors' next course of action depends on the seriousness of the student's depression, Gregory said.

With students experiencing milder depressions, perhaps connected to a single factor or situation, the counsellors will try to help the student through it.

For the more serious depression, Gregory said the student would be referred elsewhere.

"If they were bringing some large life issues that really need some time to work through, well and beyond the time possible here, I would refer that person to community people."

She said she refers students to United Way-funded agencies first because their subsidies allow students access to affordable care.

However, Gregory added, a waiting list of three to eight months is typical at local agencies such as Kitchener-Waterloo counselling, Interfaith counselling, Shalom counselling and Catholic family counselling.

Helping, however, does not mean fostering helplessness.

— Carol Gregory

Gregory also recommends students see their family doctors. "I like to check what's going on for them physically. Sometimes depression can be physically induced and be a real clear medical problem."

The family and friends of a depressed person can offer help as well. The Ministry of Health guide says treating a depressed person as normally as possible and keeping him or her busy and active can be useful.

Helping, however, does not mean fostering helplessness or taking responsibility for the depressed person's happiness.

The guide recommends a person to seek professional help when symptoms continue beyond a reasonable time, or when long-lasting unhappiness or gloom seem unfounded.

More women than men seek aid for depression

By Jeff Brinkhof

According to the Ontario Ministry of Health guide entitled Understanding Depression, twice as many women as men under the age of 65 receive treatment for depressive disorders.

Among women, the most susceptible to depression are young, poor women who are single heads of households, a demographic not unrepresented at Conestoga College.

Doon campus counsellor Carol Gregory said the secret to helping women cope with depression is finding the roots. "I want to know what is happening to them in terms of depression," said Gregory. "Is it a long standing depression? Is it something that is truly stopping them in their tracks, a depression where they're having trouble getting out of bed? Is it trouble with coping with the day? Have they lost their sense of humor? Have they isolated themselves relationship-wise?"

The guide also said women who are taught to be dependent and assertive may find it hard to cope with problems and decisions without becoming depressed and asking for help.

Unresolved elements of a student's past may also be factors, said Gregory. "Sometimes it can be something that happened a year or two ago that is just really impacting now."

Maybe it's just an upcoming anniversary date of an event that was very traumatic to that person and they haven't worked it out."

Hormones may also influence the rate of depression in women. The ministry guide notes hormonal factors have been identified in premenstrual syndrome (PMS) and hormonal changes caused by oral contraceptives (the pill) may also be linked to depression.

The threat of suicide appears more common among depressed women. According to ministry of health figures, 15 per cent of depressed people commit suicide with nearly twice as many women as men making the attempt. Men, however, are three times more likely to complete the attempt.

The higher risk for depression among women may be related to social factors, said the ministry guide. Some experts suggest just as many men suffer depression but they're less likely to admit it and seek help.

The understanding of friends and family is an important part in any depressed person's recovery. They must be careful, however, not to blame the depressed person for his or her symptoms, the guide warns.

"Remember that the depressed person is in pain. He or she needs understanding and help," the guide states.

Waterloo campus gets wet and wild for the United Way

By Kim Huson

It was a one-sided water fight in support of the United Way at the Waterloo campus.

Conestoga College's recreational leadership students held a sponge throw for the United Way Oct. 5.

The event raised \$150 for the campaign, said Sharon Kalbfleisch, chair of the campaign at Conestoga. Students paid 25 cents to take a shot at members of faculty and administration.

Greg Burns, an instructor in recreational

leadership, was a popular target during the lunch hour activity. Students even collected extra money to throw the bucket at Burns.

"I hope it was \$10," said Burns. "That's cold water."

Recreational leadership students said they enjoyed planning the event. "It's something that, as recreationalists, we will be doing all the time," said Wayne Moffat, a second-year recreational leadership student.

"Hopefully, it will bring up the spirit at Waterloo," added Sandy Dehling, who is in second year.

The student athletic committee (SAC) also held a kick-off at the Doon campus. This raised \$100, said Kalbfleisch, referring to the cheque presented to the United Way by SAC.

"We were pleased with the amount of media coverage the kick-offs received," said Kalbfleisch. "One of our goals was to increase awareness and I think this was accomplished."

The committee thinks both kick-off events were great, she said. The United Way also received \$150 from door receipts at the presentation of Sue Johanson, said Kalbfleisch.

Johanson, a radio and television host, author and lecturer, spoke at Doon campus Sept. 25 during sexual harassment/awareness week.

Conestoga's United Way committee set its goal at \$26,000 for the campaign, which was completed on Nov. 15. "It takes a while before all the pledge forms are returned," said Kalbfleisch.

If they do not reach the goal, the committee will consider extending the campaign, she said. "Sometimes people just forget to send their donation. But they are willing to donate when they've been reminded."

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Who is that masked man?

Mike Tel and Tara Cahill, second-year law and security administration students, participate in a non-verbal exercise to simulate the experiences of the blind. The assignment involves one blindfolded student being led around by a partner.

(Photo by Tim Pozza)

Student gets gift from anonymous friend

By Hilary Ibbotson

Tracy Lennon found a new friend a couple of weeks ago. And although she doesn't know his name, she said she will never forget him and his anonymous gift to her.

Lennon, a second-year journalism student, was using a pay phone outside the Doon campus security office Oct 4, when her purse was stolen.

"I put my coat, knapsack and purse on the ground at my feet while I used the pay phone," she said. "I looked away to wave to a friend, and then I went to get another quarter from my purse, and it was gone."

"I asked the guy in the security

office, but he didn't see anything," said Lennon. "So, I ran to the library and it wasn't in the library. Then I went berserk."

Site supervisor Jim Brady, of Wackenhut security, said the theft of Lennon's purse was the first such incident this year.

"We had about 15 or 20 last year, and then it died off. One of the things they like to do is take any money or credit cards out and drop the wallet into the nearest waste basket."

On Oct. 6, two days after the purse theft, Lennon's identification was found scattered on the floor of the women's washroom near the student lounge, but \$11 cash, her child support cheque and her bank card

were still missing.

Lennon went to the registrar's office, in hopes of getting emergency funding, but was told that all available funds had been used. She did, however, receive an emergency loan of \$25 from student services.

She wrote a letter to the editor of Spoke to let the thief know the problems the incident had caused and to make the person who stole her purse feel guilty.

Two days after the letter was printed, an unidentified man came to the Spoke office and gave journalism teacher Jerry Frank an envelope with Lennon's name on it. Inside, Lennon found a letter, signed "a friend," and five \$20 bills.

"My eyes started watering," said Lennon, "and I said, 'Take it back. I can't accept this. If you see him again, give it back to him.'"

Although Lennon kept the money, she said, she didn't do so without reservations. "I went and got groceries that night, and I felt guilty about giving that money to the woman."

"It's a big, big help. I couldn't believe someone would do that. I just wish I could have said something to him in person."

Radio signals monitored by Conestoga instructor

By Tim Pozza

Werner Funkenhauser has dedicated himself to world travel for the past 36 years.

And about every 29 days, when conditions are about as good as they can be, Funkenhauser, 51, usually begins his journeys.

Funkenhauser, a Conestoga College materials management computer teacher, monitors mediumwave or what is commonly known as AM (amplitude modulation) frequencies from all over the world.

Along the way he's picked up a smattering of a dozen different languages and spoken with radio operators from stations as far away as Greenland and Montserrat.

But make no mistake, Funkenhauser only listens to the radio. He only speaks to radio operators when he picks up the phone and dials.

"When you think about radio enthusiasts usually what you think about are HAMS or CBers, but we only do the listening part."

The idea is to see what the maximum distance is that you can hear," said Funkenhauser, reclining in the chair behind his desk.

"Anyone who is interested in geography, languages, in other cultures and societies can really learn a lot, particularly from short wave."

The hobby started when Funkenhauser was about 15, he said, when a family friend gave him a pile of books on short-wave radios. In the beginning Funkenhauser built his own radios.

Today he uses a receiver bought eight years ago for about \$1,300.

"Everything I've added to it makes it worth a lot more. Anything to replace it would cost a lot more."

His eyes light up at the thought of some of the stations he's been able to get. Like Radio Moscow which, before the fall of communist Russia was broadcasting

propaganda, now spreads the philosophy of Coca-Cola.

"It's a great hobby, sometimes very time consuming."

The hobby has led to a column called Mediumwave International which Funkenhauser writes for DX Ontario, a magazine founded in 1974 by the Ontario DX Association. He is considered somewhat of an expert on the loop antenna.

"Radio's back in the '20s would come equipped with a loop like that on the top, and they were very highly directional. The kinds of loops that I'm using are pretty well unchanged compared to that," he said.

The column features Funkenhauser's own experiences catching AM signals and he talks about letters from radio enthusiasts around the world. Another section lists confirmations and descriptions of signals originating from remote locations around the world.

"DX Ontario is a group of about 2,000 radio enthusiasts," said Funkenhauser who gets together with friends who have similar interests and monitors stations or checks out equipment.

"In a session where I sit down and get very serious I might spend four, five or six hours. Particularly on weekends," he said. "If the cycle happens to be during the weekend, then a whole group of us get together and we've strung antennas out in all directions, each one having a different interest, and we might go the whole weekend. Usually that turns out to be socializing, cause there's always a bottle of wine or a case of beer."

Funkenhauser changed his listening habits about 15 years ago to what he considers the bigger challenge of catching AM signals rather than listening to shortwave frequencies or HAM radio. And like a butterfly collector he has tallied the score of what he has captured with his net.

"I've got 93 countries that I've heard on AM, he said."

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SPORTS

Women's soccer Condors in playoffs

By Duncan R. Inglis

Conestoga Condors women's varsity soccer squad have clinched a spot in the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA) playoffs to be held at Seneca College Oct. 29-30, defeating St. Clair College Lady Saints Oct. 23.

The Condors, who earned a 1-0 victory, took the play to the Saints right from the start, with a shot off the crossbar five seconds in.

Twelve minutes into the first half, forward Jane Walker caught the Lady Saints goalkeeper Stephanie Wilson off her line.

Walker chipped the ball over top of the keeper from about 25 yards out and into the net.

Second-half play was dominated by the Condors, who bombarded the St. Clair netminder.

Wilson was forced to make many brilliant saves in order to keep her team close, but they rarely ventured into the Conestoga half.

"It was a bit scary, leading only

1-0," said Condors coach Geoff Johnstone. "If they got one lucky break it could have been tied. We really need to generate more goals.

"We must have outshot them (St. Clair) 650-1," he added.

The score could have been 2-0 at any point in the game, as Conestoga missed shot after shot. Andrea Birmingham and Kerri Walker sailed three beautiful shots each just wide and over the bar.

"Before the game, our coach (Kris Geier) gave us a really good pep talk," Wilson said, "and I got really excited.

"I was always taught to commit one way or the other if someone was going to shoot," she added, explaining why she challenged Walker on the Condors only goal.

About 35 minutes into the second half, Birmingham broke on the right side of the St. Clair half and blasted a shot straight at the Saints keeper, who stood her ground to make the save.

Conestoga defender Penny En-

glish also had a typically outstanding game, using her speed in a few offensive breaks.

About 20 minutes into the second, English worked herself into the 18-yard box and was tackled. Birmingham's follow-up shot went wide of the goal.

English said the Condors had an awesome game using the whole field, and made some great passes.

"Our shooting and scoring could be better," English said, "but everyone tried hard and played well."

St. Clair has had a disappointing season, finishing with a 1-0-8 won-lost-tied record, but have always been able to keep close in Conestoga games, according to keeper Wilson.

Conestoga next sees action in the OCAA playoffs, involving top teams from the East and Central regions in the Ontario championships at Seneca Oct. 29-30.



Bathed and Pampered

Conestoga women's soccer rookies are (from left) Tammy Flanagan, Sarah Power and Ann Paonni. They were victims of a Condor initiation ritual.

(Photo by Duncan R. Inglis)

Fanshawe Falcons soar above men's soccer Condors

By Duncan R. Inglis

The better Conestoga College men's soccer Condors have played Fanshawe College Falcons, the worse they've been beaten this Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA) West Region season.

The Condors played their hearts out to the final whistle against the Falcons Oct. 25, only to lose 3-1.

In previous meetings, Fanshawe and Conestoga drew 0-0 in the season opener at London, and Fanshawe won 2-1 at Conestoga Oct. 18.

In the Oct. 25 match, Condors midfielder Nelson Cabral scored 32 minutes into the first half, making it 2-1 at half time.

The Condors had their chances to keep things interesting in the second half, when DaSilva got loose

behind the Fanshawe rearguards and drove a shot that curled just wide of the inside right post. About 10 minutes later, DaSilva, again in striking position, blasted a shot high and wide of the goal.

Fanshawe sweeper Jeff Brown scored the Falcons' first goal when he picked up a long pass behind the Condors defenders.

Brown recorded his second goal of the day 30 minutes into the second half, when Condors defender Sanjeeve Dhanapala took down Fanshawe striker Andrew Loague inside the 18-yard box. Fanshawe was rewarded a penalty kick and Brown put it away.

"We had a great first 20 minutes in the first half," said the Falcons sweeper. "(Then) we fell apart for the final 25 minutes."

Conestoga has an automatic spot

in the Canadian Colleges Athletic Association finals as the host college, despite losing to Fanshawe and being eliminated from the Ontario championships in Hamilton Oct. 29-30.

"There is no way we (Fanshawe) will meet Conestoga at the nationals," Brown said of the prospect of meeting Conestoga in an all-Ontario national final. "It's a much higher quality of soccer."

Falcons coach Anthony Camacho also was unimpressed with the soccer skill of Conestoga, but said, "they have lots of heart and keep playing and playing.

"We (Fanshawe) let them get to us physically and that took away from our game plan," said Camacho, adding that the better team ultimately won.

Loague scored the only other goal

for the Falcons five minutes after Brown's first.

The Falcons have a lot of depth in the skill department, according to Condors coach Geoff Johnstone, "but they lack the character it takes to go on and win the nationals."

The game was marred when a fight broke out, drawing 18 players to the benches' side of the field.

Klaus Ehrenberg of Conestoga and Fanshawe's Mark Boyd flailed at each other and both were disciplined, sent away from the field by referee Louis Lalege.

Although this was the Condors' final OCAA game, — due to the loss they don't go to Hamilton for the Ontario championships Oct. 29-30, as Fanshawe does — Conestoga will compete as host in the Canadian Colleges Athletic Association national finals Nov. 10-13.

Male Athlete of the Week for Oct. 18—Oct. 25

Andy Pownall

Andy Pownall, a defender with the men's soccer team, played quick and smart soccer, clearing everything that came his way.

Pownall stood out against two potent offenses, in a 2-1 loss to Fanshawe Oct. 18 and a 4-2 loss to Mohawk Oct. 21.

(winners are chosen by Conestoga's varsity coaches)

Spokesports

(Standings as of Wednesday, Oct. 27, 1993)

Ontario Colleges Athletic Association Men's Hockey

Results —

Oct. 29, St. Lawrence (B) at Algonquin
Seneca at S.S.Fleming (P)
Oct. 30, Algonquin at Cambrian

Costello Division

TEAMS	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
Conestoga Condors	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niagara Knights	0	0	0	0	0	0
Seneca Braves	0	0	0	0	0	0
S.S.Fleming(L)Auks	0	0	0	0	0	0
S.S.Fleming(P) Knights	0	0	0	0	0	0

Parker Division

TEAMS	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
Algonquin Thunder	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cambrian Gold Shield	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. L.(B) Schooners	0	0	0	0	0	0

Future Games —

Thur., Nov. 4, Conestoga at Fleming(L), 7:30 p.m.; Fri., Nov. 5, Seneca at St. Lawrence(B); Sat., Nov. 6, Seneca at Algonquin, Fleming(P) at Cambrian, Fleming(L) at Niagara; Wed., Nov. 10, Seneca at Conestoga, 7:30 p.m.

OCAA Women's Soccer West Region

Results —

Oct. 23, St. Clair 0, Conestoga 1
Oct. 29-30, OCAA Championship Tournament at Seneca College

FINAL STANDINGS

TEAMS	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Conestoga Condors	6	1	1	17	1	13
Redeemer Royals	5	2	1	29	7	12
Fanshawe Falcons	4	3	1	19	4	11
St. Clair Saints	1	0	7	4	25	2
Lambton Lions	1	0	7	3	35	2

Future Games —

Wed.—Sat., Nov. 10-13, CCAA Championship Tournament at Malaspina College, Nanaimo, B.C.



Scoreboards and Schedules

OCAA Men's Soccer West Region

Results —

Oct. 21, Conestoga 2, Mohawk 4
Oct. 25, Conestoga 1, Fanshawe 3

FINAL STANDINGS

TEAMS	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Fanshawe Falcons	5	3	0	15	5	13
Mohawk Mountaineers	5	1	2	15	11	12
St. Clair Saints	4	1	3	17	8	9
Conestoga Condors	3	1	4	12	13	7
Redeemer Royals	0	0	8	4	27	0

Future Games —

Wed.—Sat., Nov. 10-13, CCAA Championship Tournament at Conestoga College, Kitchener, Ont.

NEXT HOME GAME:

Canadian Colleges Athletic Association's National Championships

at Conestoga College

Wed.—Sat., Nov. 10-13

Female Athlete of the Week for Oct. 18—Oct. 25

Jane Walker

Jane Walker scored the only goal in a Conestoga women's soccer 1-0 playoff victory over St. Clair College Lady Saints Oct. 23.

Jane and the women's team were to play in the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association Oct. 29-30. Walker plays forward for the Condors and is enrolled in law and security administration.

(winners chosen by Conestoga's varsity coaches)

Reviews

Rush's latest album, *Counterparts*, gives fans an invitation to rock

By Alan Horn

The Oxford dictionary defines counterpart as a "person or thing like or naturally complementary to another; or a duplicate." Defined by the three members of Rush, *Counterparts* is a hard-driving, no-nonsense album, guaranteed to trigger the adrenal glands.

The album is the band's fifteenth studio effort since its first record deal in 1974. With it comes a collection of rock tunes that offer a less technically complex and more straightforward rock album.

Both *Presto* and *Roll the Bones*, the band's last two releases,

seemed headed down this path. That is, away from heavy use of synthesizers and closer to the basic guitar, bass and drum routine. Yet, those albums still lacked the bite the latest provides.

The album also has its share of novelties. For starters, it has 11 songs on it. No other studio album the band has done boasts that many tracks. New ground is also explored with drummer Neil Peart's lyrics on Nobody's Hero.

Lee and the boys also tackle a couple of "love songs" — Rush style. These are The Speed of Love and Cold Fire.

The band's method of concocting

songs hasn't changed. Songwriting duties on the album were again shared by Lee and Lifeson, leaving Peart to handle the lyrics exclusively, with the exception of Between Sun and Moon, which he teamed up with Pye Dubois.

While the album pulses with more raw energy, and beats at a faster pace than the last album *Bones*, it has fallen short, by Rush standards, in the lyrical department. Albums such as *Caress of Steel*, *Signals* and *Grace Under Pressure* are tough acts to follow. The exceptions to this are the lyrics on Cut to the Chase and Nobody's Hero.

One of the highlights on the

album is the opening tune Animate. This tune extends an invitation to pound air drums with drummer Neil Peart.

Animate is countered with the low-sounding tones of Stick it Out, which is the album's number one adrenaline surge.

The power of straight-ahead rock on the first side is complemented with the more melodic second side. As good as the album is though, it does have its faults. Aside from the weaker lyrical content, it would have been nice to see the band showcase its musicianship more.

A couple of the songs come close to sounding like they were manu-

factured for the charts. These are Speed of Love and Cold Fire. Coming from a band that has made its name through touring more than from radio play, this is out of place.

Despite minor annoyances, Rush has succeeded in producing its best album since *Power Windows*. The in-your-face rock is sure to provide great listening, whether on a drive, at a party, or in the shower.

As for the album's hidden message, this can be said. As the listener indulges in this album, subliminal messages filter through the air waves. Crank Me the album says, as the instruments and vocals accost the ear.

Beverly Hillbillies' wacky humor from '60s is missing from the movie

By Gary Wiebe

There was enough weird and wacky humor in the '60s television sitcom the *Beverly Hillbillies* to keep it in the top 10 listings from its 1962 debut until 1970.

The movie of the same name has been number two at North American box offices for the past four weeks, presumably because it's funny. But it's not.

The premise is the same — a poor backwoods hill-billy strikes it rich and moves his clan to Beverly Hills, to find a wife to help raise his tomboy daughter. Beneath that lies the bedrock upon which the laugh track is

based — a light-hearted look at a clash of culture.

The movie, starring Jim Varney (Jed Clampett), Cloris Leachman (Granny), Diedrich Bader (Jethro Bodine), Erika Eleniak (Elly May Clampett), Dabney Coleman (Milton Drysdale) and Lily Tomlin (Miss Jane Hathaway), is just a story. And the usual one at that.

Two villains, Rob Schneider of *Saturday Night Live* and Howard the Duck's Lea Thompson, try to part Jed from his \$1 billion.

Jim Varney, of Ernest P. Worrell fame, seems merely adequate as patriarch Jed.

The real Jed (Buddy Ebsen) was a man so

sure of himself that he never had to point his shotgun at anybody to convince them he was not a man to be trifled with — he merely leaned on it or cradled it in his arms.

Jethro Bodine is a disappointment. Diedrich Bader's portrayal of simple-minded, girl crazy Jethro makes him appear as more of a geek than he actually was.

Elly May is just about everything Donna Douglas' Elly May was. Eleniak strikingly resembles Douglas and brings to the part the same wide-eyed innocence.

Only Cloris Leachman could have played the part of Granny. She picks up where the original's Irene Ryan left off. Full of vim and

vigor and homespun Ozark philosophy, Granny is the cornerstone of the clan.

The contemporary Jane Hathaway — she now wears designer suits and contact lenses instead of tacky tweeds and thick glasses — is still crazy about Jethro. She sizzles more than Nancy Kulp's portrayal.

Dabney Coleman is superb as the groveling banker who is willing to do anything to keep the Clampett cash stashed in his bank.

The '60s had hope that just as Jed could strike it rich, anybody could. Today, that dream is washed away with the recession.

What was funny then just doesn't seem so now. I can hardly wait NOT to see the sequel.

Demolition Man fit for a wrecking ball

By Tim Pozza

Demolition Man would be best served if the esteemed Elwy Yost, TV Ontario's veteran host of *Saturday Night at the Movies*, evaluated it. Yost's reputed ability to gush over the worst of movies might make Sly Stallone's most recent outing as an action hero seem as well proportioned as Stallone's own beefy exterior.

Except for the occasional laugh and some special effects, *Demolition Man* is fit for the wrecking ball.

The movie paints a "happy happy" not-too-distant future, where the violent 20th century has been literally paved over, and Taco Bell reigns as the only restaurant to survive "the franchise wars."

Demolition Man's plot centres on the rivalry between super-criminal Simon Phoenix (Wesley Snipes), of late 20th century Los Angeles, and "send-in-a-maniac-to-catch-a-maniac" police officer John Spartan (Stallone).

The two are flash frozen, after a brief sequence at the beginning of the movie which establishes

Snipes and Stallone as arch enemies, and thawed out one after the other in the year 2032. From this cryogenic rehabilitation, Phoenix awakens to a sanitized world.

Only Lt. Lanita Huxley (Sandra Bullock) has anything to do with the bad days of the 20th century. She collects illegal mementos from the past and is endowed with historical, and incorrect, vernacular.

At one point, Huxley says "Blow that guy," instead of "Blow him away." But nothing could be worse than "You really licked his ass" for "kicked his ass."

If it sounds almost too campy to be true, it isn't. This is no *Forbidden Planet*. Police officers of the future wear 19th century retro-Prussian uniforms in navy blue, the bureaucracy wears Hindu robes, middle management dons the kimono, and others dress expensively in whatever they like.

The only hope for movie-goers is to brake and avoid this over-budgeted homage to the dying at-all-costs-adventure in favor of character-driven heroes with something to say.



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